GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5019
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BONDED LABOUR IN TAMIL NADU
GADDE RAMAMOHAN;M.V.V.S MURTHI;SHIVAJI MANE

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that more than 1000 families are working as bonded labour in rice mill of Perambur, Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details of the steps taken by he Government against the mill owners in this regard;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the further steps likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) to (d): A Non-Governmental Organisation has brought to the notice of the State Government that more than 1000 families are working as bonded labourers in Rice Mills in Red Hills, Tiruvallur District, Tamil Nadu.In order to identify the bonded labourers, the Distrct administration is conducting a survey. Further action to release and rehabilitate the identified bonded labourers and also action against the keepers of the bonded labourers under the existing laws, would be taken based on the survey report.